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I 1'MUHARRAM' OFFENSIVE AGAINST IRAQ ANNOUNCED

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[Text] According to reports received from Karbala', headquarters for joint operations of the Armed Forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran and the Islamic Revolution Guards Corps, a series of operations bearing the name Muharram and the codename O Zaynab began at 2208 yesterday in order to liberate the remaining regions of Islamic land occupied by the enemy in the southern operational regions west of Eyn-e Kosh. Enjoying the blessings of God, these operations are victoriously continuing. Details will be brought to your attention in future bulletins as soon as they become available.

Territorial Gains Reported

LD020946 Tehran IRNA in English 0902 GMT 2 Nov 82

[Text] Karbala' HQ, Nov 2, IRNA -- In a joint communique released by the Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps (IRGC) and the army, it was reported that the Islamic forces gained control over more than 50 kms of the heights in the region west of 'Eyn-e Khosh (some 75 kms west of Dezful).

It also said that the Eyn-e Khosh-Dehloran axis was now out of Iraqi fire range after more than 25 months, since the beginning of the Iraqi imposed war.

The Iraqi forces suffered heavy losses while a large area of the Islamic territories of Iran were liberated, including a number of important oil wells in the region.

Since the outbreak of the imposed war, the Iraqis were known to be pumping oil from the oil fields they occupied in the area.

The operation began at 22:08 hours last night, code named Muharram, and is still continuing.

'Number' of Iraqis Captured

GF021014 Tehran International Service in Arabic 0900 GMT 2 Nov 82

[Text] Continuing the Muharram operations, the Muslim fighters today succeeded in removing the Eyn-e Khosh-(Mohshen)-Dehloran road from the range of the fire of the aggressor Saddamist forces. The soldiers of Islam succeeded in the early hours of the operations in controlling the border heights of the (Himrin) Mountains 10 km from the western (Tayb)-Fakkah road. They also put the Saddamist fire out of range of the Dehloran-Andimeshk-(Mohshen) post road.

Reports from the battlefronts say a number of Iraqi military personnel was captured during these operations by the victorious Islamic forces. A large group of them surrendered to the Islamic forces.

Iraqi Aircraft Downed

LD021018 Tehran IRNA in English 0904 GMT 2 Nov 82

[Text] Karbala' HQ, Nov 2, IRNA -- An Iraqi aircraft was shot down by the Islamic forces this morning in the operational region in southern Iran, west of Eyn-e Khosh. Iraq also admitted to the crash.

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PRESIDENT SENDS MESSAGE TO GANDHI FROM AIRCRAFT

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[Text] In a message to Mrs Gandhi from his aircraft, the Pakistan president said their talks had strengthened his belief that their joint endeavor to build a relationship of trust and amity between India and Pakistan will be crowned with success.

YAQUB KHAN COMMENTS ON HAQ-GANDHI MEETING

BK020229 Karachi Domestic Service in Urdu 0200 GMT 2 Nov 82

[Text] Foreign Minister Sahabzada Yaqub Khan, in an interview with Radio Pakistan onboard the aircraft flying from New Delhi to Bangkok, said that during the hour-long meeting between the Pakistan president and the Indian prime minister, most of the discussion was concerned with steps to improve bilateral relations. He said the two countries are well aware of their respective viewpoints on old issues and, therefore, the two leaders avoided repeating them.

ACTING PRESIDENT, CMLA OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED

BK010350 Karachi Domestic Service in Urdu 0200 GMT 1 Nov 82

[Text] It has been officially announced in Rawalpindi that Supreme Court Chief Justice Mohammad Haleem will act as president during the absence of President Mohammad Ziaul Haq from the country. Joint Chiefs of Staff Committee Chairman Gen Mohammad Iqbal Khan will act as chief martial law administrator.

NUSRAT BHUTTO TOLD TO HAVE MORE MEDICAL TESTS

BK311207 Hong Kong AFP in English 1153 GMT 31 Oct 82

[Text] Karachi, Oct. 31 (AFP) -- A six-member Pakistani government-appointed board today advised Begum Nusrat Bhutto, widow of executed former Prime Minister Zulafiqar Ali Bhutto, to have fresh blood reports and x-rays so it could decide whether she needs medical treatment abroad.

The government appointed the board on an application by Begum Bhutto, reportedly suffering from cancer, for permission to travel.

After a thorough examination of Begum Bhutto the board will submit its report to the Health Ministry for a final decision.

Talking to newsmen prior to her appearance before the board, Begum Bhutto said she was feeling giddy, exhausted and weak, and had suffered from constant fever for the last few months.

PAKHTOON LEADER REPORTEDLY UNDER HOUSE ARREST

BK310903 Delhi Domestic Service in English 0240 GMT 31 Oct 82

[Text] Pakhtoon leader Khan Abdul Gaffar Khan is reported to have been placed under house arrest. He was arrested near Peshawar yesterday.

Reports quoting an official press release said in Peshawar that Khan Abdul Gaffar Khan has been detained for his participation in political meetings during the last 2 weeks. The 96-year-old leader had recently returned to Pakistan after several years of exile in Afghanistan.